



Building Your Faith The Elements of Faith

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Sermon Notes

The Elements of Faith

- **Man of God**
- **Belief**
- **Obedience**
- **Peace**
- **Joy**
- **Hearing**
- **Mouth**

Love is the Foundation of Faith!

Galatians 5:6 (New King James Version)

6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, **but faith working through love.**

1 John 4:8 (New King James Version)

8 He who does not love does not know God, for **God is love.**

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 (The Message)

3-7 If I give everything I own to the poor and even go to the stake to be burned as a martyr, but I don't love, I've gotten nowhere. So, no matter what I say, what I believe, and what I do, I'm bankrupt without love.

Love never gives up.
Love cares more for others than for self.
Love doesn't want what it doesn't have.
Love doesn't strut,
Doesn't have a swelled head,
Doesn't force itself on others,
Isn't always "me first,"
Doesn't fly off the handle,
Doesn't keep score of the sins of others,
Doesn't revel when others grovel,
Takes pleasure in the flowering of truth,
Puts up with anything,
Trusts God always,

Always looks for the best,
Never looks back,
But keeps going to the end.

Your Man of God – It Does Matter What Church You Go To!

2 Chronicles 20:20b (New International Version)

Have faith in the LORD your God and you will be upheld; have faith in his prophets and you will be successful.

Romans 10:14-15 (New International Version)

14How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? 15And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Belief – Whoever You Trust Controls Your Future

Mark 9:22-23 (New King James Version)

23 Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things *are* possible to him who believes."

Obedience – Obedience is the Only Thing God Has Required of Man

James 1:23-25 (Amplified Bible)

23For if anyone only listens to the Word without obeying it and being a doer of it, he is like a man who looks carefully at his [own] natural face in a mirror; 24For he thoughtfully observes himself, and then goes off and promptly forgets what he was like. 25But he who looks carefully into the faultless law, the [law] of liberty, and is faithful to it and perseveres in looking into it, being not a heedless listener who forgets but an active doer [who obeys], he shall be blessed in his doing (his life of obedience).